

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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INCLUSION OF ISM&H INTO NHFWP
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided to integrate the Indian System of Medicines and Homoeopathy into the National Health and Family Welfare Programme;
- (b) if so, the salient features thereof;
- (c) the total fund earmarked for the procurement of these medicines during the Ninth Plan period;
- (d) whether enhancement of the World Bank fund for the National Health and Family Welfare Programme has also been approved by the Government; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the table of the Lok Sabha..

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 302 FOR 14.8.2000

A part of the National Family Welfare Programme, Government of India is implementing the Reproductive and Child Health Programme. This programme aims at improving the health of women and children and reducing the maternal, infant and child mortality and morbidity. Government of India has decided to involve the Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy particularly the Ayurveda and Unani systems to ensure that the benefits of the Reproductive and Child Health Programme reach the widest possible cross section of the population through the large network of ISM Practitioners especially in rural areas. Some of the schemes being implemented for this purpose are:

- i. Training of ISM practitioners on concepts and practices of ISM relating to Reproductive and Child Health.
- ii. Improving awareness and availability of ISM remedies.
- iii. Research in ISM.
- iv. Augmenting availability of medicinal plants by establishing Vanaspati Van.

In addition, the Government of India have recently decided to procure and supply Ayurvedic medicines to 7 States i.e., Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala and also Unani medicines in 4 cities viz. Delhi, Lucknow, Aligarh and Hyderabad in the first phase where the infrastructure of government institutions is relatively strong. The names of the medicines and their uses are annexed. These medicines are in addition to the drugs already being supplied as part of Drug Kits to the sub-centers under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme. A provision of Rs. 70 crores has been kept for this purpose during the Ninth Plan Period.

The procurement of Ayurvedic and Unani Drugs is inclusive of the total outlay approved for the Reproductive and Child Health Programme during the Ninth Plan Period. As such no enhancement of World Bank funds available for the Reproductive and Child Health Project is necessary at this stage.

In addition, under the National Aids Control Programme, the Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy have been involved in training, dissemination of information and research activities.

ANNEXURE

LIST OF AYURVEDIC AND UNANI DRUGS THEIR USAGE

AYURVEDIC MEDICINES

- (i) PUNARNAUADI MANDOORA Tablets for Anemia, Oedema during pregnancy etc.

- (ii) SAUBHAGYA SHUNTHI Granules for post-delivery problems e.g. body pains, urine and abdominal problems, lactation related problems, fever, etc.
- (iii) KASHEER BALA TAIL Body massage oil for strengthening the abdominal muscles of the mother, body massage, body ache etc.
- (iv) AYUSH GHUTTI Tablet or syrup for common ailments of babies like indigestion, intestinal discomfort, diarrhoea, vomiting etc.
- (v) BAL RASAYAN Tablets/Granules for nutritional supplement of proteins, calcium and essential mineral for children for 1/2 to 5 years.
- (vi) ARK AJWAIN LIQUID For promotion of appetite, digestion etc.
- (vii) ARK PUDINA LIQUID For intestinal discomfort or pain etc.

UNANI DRUGS

- (i) Habb-e-Khubsul (Tabs) For Anemia
- (ii) Majoon Suhag Sonth For post delivery problems e.g body pains, Abdominal problems. Lactation related problems.
- (iii) Roughan Luboob Saba For body massage of children and mothers
- (iv) Arka Ajawain For promotion of appetite and Digestion
- (v) Arka Pudina (Nana) For intestinal discomfort and pain.